

FISHERY BIOLOGISTS

Federal Job Opportunity

IN

SALMON/STEELHEAD HABITAT POSITIONS

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ZP-482-2 Fishery Biologist, or ZP-401-2 Natural Resource Management Specialist

The National Marine Fisheries Service has a unique employment opportunity for students and graduates who have completed four years of study in biological sciences, fisheries science, wildlife science, zoology, environmental science, forestry, ecology or related fields; or for those who have completed one year of graduate study in one of these disciplines. We are hiring at the entry level (GS-7) to allow students and recent graduates to effectively compete for these jobs. To qualify for this level you must meet one of the following criteria: 1) a 2.9 grade point average in undergraduate studies; or 2) 4 years of undergraduate study (if less than 2.9) plus one year of related experience; or, 3) one year of graduate study in one of the above fields.

The positions are in support of the President's National Fire Plan directing all federal land use agencies to take actions to reduce fuels in on federal lands and restore habitats to enhance the preservation of fish and wildlife especially those protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). It is the responsibility for the National Marine Fisheries Service to consult with the land use agencies on their actions to ensure actions do not adversely impact salmon. These positions will allow you to gain experience and understanding of the requirements of ESA; acquire skills in negotiating with other agencies to bring about acceptable actions; be teamed with experienced biologists to learn about the work of National Marine Fisheries Service.

We are filling positions in Salmon and Grangeville, Idaho and LaGrande, Oregon. Pay starts at \$30,000 per year. You will be eligible to receive health benefits, life insurance and be able to participate in the federal retirement system. The positions are term for 13 months, with extensions possible to four years. Since we're growing, permanent opportunities are likely to develop for which you could apply and be selected.